

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. Senate Bill 1175

PRINTER NO. 1792

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

May 23, 2018

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Ward

DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill 1175 amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to provide for administrative subpoena authorization during investigations of terroristic threats on or against school property and for access to school disciplinary records.

The legislation adds to the existing administrative subpoena power of the Attorney General, a deputy attorney general, district attorneys and an assistant district attorney the authority to issue and cause to be served an administrative subpoena when investigating individuals who are suspected to have made a terroristic threat committed on or against a school property, during a school-sponsored activity, or on a conveyance providing transportation to a school entity or school-sponsored activity.

Senate Bill 1175 requires probation officers to include in reports to the court a review of all available school records for disciplinary actions taken against a child charged with delinquency. The legislation also requires that a child suspected of making terroristic threats undergo a mental health evaluation by a licensed psychologist or psychiatrist prior to a decision as to whether to detain the child. The evaluation shall be limited to assessing the potential of the child to inflict harm upon themselves or others.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to the Pennsylvania State Police and the Office of Attorney General, enactment of this legislation will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.